

DAYS YET REMAIN IN

BENNISON BROTHERS MUST CLOSE OUT.

Any sacrifice to get rid of the goods will be made. Over a quarter of a million dollars worth of dry goods, cloaks and carpets go in this BUSINESS SALE.

# Underwe'r, 55c,75c\\$1.

over 800 dozen, just arrived, bought for this season's business before we had decided or even thought of going out of business; they must all go with the rest; the entire lot at 55c, 75c and \$1 each. Don't miss them. Come in tomorrow.

# Chemise, 18c.

2,000 ladles' chemise, not + cost, 18c MISSES' MUSLIN

### Drawers, 15c.

2,000 pair of misses' muslin drawers, worked button holes, 3 tucks, all sizes & to 15 years; remember these are misses Bizes only; 1 price, 15c pair.

LADIES' CORSET

# overs,

500 ladies' eambric corset covers, trimmed with lace and embroidery, have always sold at 50c, choice of entire lot 19c each.

LADIES' WHITE

1,000 ladies' white aprons at 2 price.

Satins

50c yard

All our dollar quilted satins half price,

Our entire stock figured China Silks

All evening shades

35c.

35c yard.

COLORED GROS GRAIN

Silks

All our \$1 and \$1,25c olored gros grain silks now 59c yard.

Velvets

Cloaks

86 ladies' finest quality seal plush sacques, in small sizes, 32 and 34, that have sold at \$20 and \$25, choice of lot \$10 each. Our entire stock of ladies', misses' and children's cloaks at half price. Now is the time to buy a good winter garment; it will pay you to buy now for next winter.

Shawls \$3.50.

55 beaver shawls that have sold at \$5 \$6 and \$7, all at one price. They must go. Choice \$3.50 each.

Fur Capes

Our entire stock of ladies' fur capes, which sold at \$15, \$18, \$20 and \$25, at one at price. They must all go. Choice

LADIES'

Corsets 50c PAIR.

1000 Dr.-Warner's Coraline corsets, in white and drab, also all our French woven corsets, worth \$1 and \$1.25, All at one price, 50c pair.

> MEN'S UNLAUNDERED 23c.

Corsets

75c PAIR

59c.

Over 1000 pairs ladies' pure silk hose, in solid colors and fancy stripes. They come in all the evening shades, also dark colors. They have sold over our counters at \$1.50, \$2 and \$2.50. Choice of entire lot now 59c a pair.

200 dozen children's fast black all wool hose, all sizes, 6 to 9½. Not half price-20c a pair.

Our entire stock of children's finest quality cashmere wool hose, fast black, have sold at 50c to 75c. Choice now only half price, 35c pair. They must all go.

Kid Gloves

58 dozen ladies' Mousquetaire, Alexandre, 6 and 8 button suede kid gloves, in gray, tan, brown and black; have never sold for less than \$1.75 and \$2. Choice of entire lot \$1 pair.

Cashmere Gloves

28 dozen ladies' fast black all woot cashmere gloves, less than half price, 15c a pair.

Underwe'r 35c.

300 dozen men's and boys' all wool scarlet shirts and drawers less than half cost-35c each.

> Collar 10c.

Carpets and Curtains

Now is the time. Don't delay. Buy your carpets and curtains for spring. Every yard of carpet, every pair of curtains must go, cost not considered during this big closing out sale. 1000 best quality opaque curtain shades, all made up on best spring fixtures, only 25c each. Not one-half price. All our finest frish point, Swiss, Tambour and Brussels net lace curtains at nearly half price. Everything must go as we are positively going out of hydroges. must go, as we are positively going out of business.

DAMASK

Towels 39c.

Over 600 dozen of the finest quality satin damask towels, knotted fringes and drawn work. They comprise our entire stock which has been sold at 50c, 75c and \$1. Your choice now only one half price-39c each. This is the greatest towel bargain ever offered. Cost not considered. They must all go. don't miss them.

Towels

5000 dozen satin damask and huck all linen towels at 5c, 7c, 9c, 12½c, 15c and 20c each, only half price.

MARSEILLES

Bed Spre'ds

500 Marseilles bed quilts worth \$2.00

Muslin

20 cases 36 inch unbleached muslin 4 to

ALMOST GIVING AWAY

Coats' spool cotton 4c. Silk Arrasene 8c dozen. Silk ribbosene 15c dozen, Rope silk le skein.

Embroidery wash silk 1c skein. Linen floss 1c skein. Darning cotton le roll. Siik lacing cord le yard. Silk corset laces 15c each. Macrame cord 5c ball.

5000 skeins zephyr 3½c skein. Saxony yarn 8tc skein. German knitting yarn 2°c skein. Pozzoni's face powder 30c. Carbour's and Marshall's linen thread 62 spool

All our fine ruching now 15c and 25c yard, Only half price. Everything must go, as we are positively

going out of business.

Week in the Lodge Rooms of the City.

**VETERANS HAVING A MERRY WAR OF WORDS** 

One of the New Organizations in Defining the Qualifications of its Members Arouses the Indignation of Other Brave Men-The Week's Showing.

A communication in Thursday's Evening BEE, speaking of the Union Veteran legion and its objects and time of the meeting, has aroused an antagonistic feeling in the breasts of some of the veterans and members of other organizations. The following reply is made:

OMAHA, Jan. 14 .- To the Editor of THE BEE: Referring to an article which appeared in your issue of the 12th instant regarding the Union Veteran legion, which states that "this is truly the veterans organmation, as no short termers, drafted men substitutes, bounty jumpers or deserter can become members of the union." I would like to ask the writer of the article if he knows of any organization which does accept such a class of men, knowing them to

ave been such.

For the information of the writer of the article and the public at large, I wou to state that the Regular Army and Navy union does not accept any person who cannot produce an honorable discharge from the United States service, nor do I believe the Arand Army of the Republic would accept any person who could not show an honorable discharge for service rendered during the war of the rebellion. I cannot state what the qualifications are for admission to the ranks of the Sons of Veterans, but believe they have a clause in their constitution which draws the line on the son-in-law of ;

While the writer of the article above re-ferred to has his pen in the ink, will he kindly inform us how the newly organized encampment of the Union Veteran legion accepted a person who served in the regular from 1858 to 1863, when the application furnished by the Union Veteran legion distinctly states that no person shall be eligible to membership who did not vol-unteer for service during the war? If this man enlisted in 1858 and was discharged by expiration of term of service in 1863, how ld he have volunteered for service during the war!

To a man up a tree it would appear that encampment No. 121 will have a hard time in "gaining a foothold in Nebraska" if their intentions are to cast reflection upon other organizations, and in trying to make the public think that "we are the only people."

John D. Hows,

Commander of Garrison No. 14 Berrion

Commander of Garrison. No. 54, Regular Army and Navy Union.
A second communication has also been received, and it is as follows:

ceived, and it is as follows:

OMAHA, Neb., Jan 13.—To the Editor of THE BEE.—In an article which appeared in your most valuable paper of Thursday evening, January 12, in regard to the Union Veteran encampment No. 121, setting forth the qualifications required to join that organization. I beg leave to ask through your columns if the person who furnished your paper that article will tell us: First. According to the blank applications for membership, it distinctly states that the applicant must be "a volunteer soldier, sailor or marine, that on the — day of —, 186—, I marine, that on the — day of —, 186—, I collisted as a — in company —, regiment At the bottle.

At the bottom of the application it dis-tinctly defines who shall become members. First. Soldiers, sailors of the army, navy and marine corps, during the war of the re-bellion, who volunteered 'or a term of three years (excepting those o volunteered for aterm of two years, prior to July, 22, 1861,)
and were honorably discharged for any
cause, after a service of at least two continuous years. Provided, said enlistment was

This exception is to cover cases of a large number of two years regiments in New York

lischarged in November, 1863, is eligible for membership, especially as that person did not again enter the service until over cleven years after the close of the rebellion

Fourth. The presumption is very patent to me and any fair minded person that there was no disability arising from this person's discharge in 1863, on the contrary it was at the expiration of his term of service and there were certainly no obstacles to his volun teering, as he enlisted again in the regular service in 1876, "after all danger had been passed." The person that I am now speak passed." The person that I am now speak ing of is a member of Encampment No. 121 and I distinctly state that, in no sense of the word, is he eligable for membership, as the only exception made in the case on the appli cations, is for the two-year heroes who unterred, in the time of danger to the be loved stars and stripes, and not for men wh enlisted in the regular service in 1858, and who were compelled to remain until the expiration of their term of service in 1863, an

then gave their country the cold shoulder until the danger line was passed.

I will also state for the information of the gentleman that I am eligable for membership, having enlisted May 12, 1861, as a vo-unteer, and discharged September 28, 1861 and immediately volunteered again in Octo ber, 1863, and mustered out in 1865, and I think the gentleman is very inconsistent in his remarks in stating that no short termers drafted men, substitutes, bounty jumpers, or deserters, can become members, when such a case as I have stated is a member of his

organization.

Hoping to hear a reply and a most satisfactory one, before I join his organization, I am very respectfully.

VOLUNTEER VETERAN.

Independent Order of Odd Fellows. Grand Master A. H. Weir has returned to the district system formerly in vogue, and has divided the state into a number tricts. Each district is in charge of a deputy grand master, who exercises a general supervision over the lodges in the district.

District No. 1 is the largest in the state. and is composed of eleven lodges, located in Omaha, South Omaha, Papillion and Platts-mouth. Grand Representative F. B. Bayant is the deputy grand master for this district

and has personally installed the officers of State lodge No. 10, Keystone No. 155 and

Omaha No. 2. The officers of Omaha lodge No. 2 are as ollows: N. G., J. P. Henderson; V. G., C. D. Neal; secretary, C. A. Patterson; treasurer, F. B. Bryant; chaplain, John Evans, The officers of Hesperian encampment in stalled Thursday evening, January 12; C. P., J. R. Gillian; H. P., Mr. Disbrow; S. W., Harry Jackson; J. W., Mr. Durbin; scribe, C. A. Patterson; treasurer, F. B. Bayant.

Apollo encampment No. 22 of Fremont has installed the following officers: C. P., Fred L. Nesbit; S. W., Elof Nilsson; J. W., W. C. Wiley; H. P., J. M. Shively; cierk, George J. Coddington; treasurer, Ernest Schurman; first G. of T. Soren Hansen, second G. of T. Soren Hansen, second G. of T. J. Coddington; treasurer, Ernest Schurman; first G. of T., Soren Hansen; second G. of T., C. B. Ellsworth; first W., A. F. Cherry; second W., W. H. Haven; third W., William Spear; fourth W., George Basler; J. S., A. C. Jensen, jr.; O. S., Chris Thomsen.

The following officers of Golden Rule lodge, Rebekah degree, No. 59, of Fremont, were installed at the last meeting: Cora M. Coddington, noble grand; Nellie C. Shively, vice grand; Mrs. J. L. Reinard, right support to noble grand; Mrs. S. Livingston, left sup-

vice grand; Mrs. J. L. Kelmard, right to noble grand; Mrs. S. Livingston, left support to noble grand; Mrs. C. R. de la Matyr, ward; Miss Maud Murrell, conductor; Mrs. J. A. Van Anda, chapl in; Mrs. F. L. Nester algebras bit, right support to vice grand; Mrs. W. W. Fish, left support to vice grand; Emma Christensen, inner guard; — Nelson, outer guard; trustees, C. H. May, George J. Cod-dington, F. McCiverin. The Lyons lodge installed the new officers

at the last meeting. A large number of vis-itors were present from Oakland, Tekamah and other towns, and a rousing meeting was held. The new officers installed are: T. E. held. The new officers installed are: T. E. Hall, noble grand; Tim Calnon, vice grand; C. F. Beck, secretary; A. C. Rogers, treasurer; D. McMonies, C. O. Shumway, C. W. Orr, trustees; J. R. Hodgin, warden; C. W. Orr, conductor; right support to noble grand, D. McMonies; left support to noble grand, C. O. Shumway; inside guard, J. G. Mawson; outside guard, L. G. Shumway; right support to vice grand, Fred Redig; left support to vice grand, Frank Olson. support to vice grand, Frank Olson.

J. M. Hurd, district deputy grand master,

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Centennial lodge No. 59 of Fremont has installed the following officers: N. G., S. J. Dunn; V. G., George J. Coddington; secretary, J. M., Shivels; treasurer, E. Schurman; R. S. N. G., Dan Miller; L. S. N. G., George Basler; R. S. V. G., J. W. Andrews: L. S. V. G., J. T. Robinson; conductor, F. M. Claffin; Ward., Loren Hanson; R. S. S., Chris. Nelson; L. S. S., Joseph Pasose; I. G., Jacob Rogers; O. G., A. F. Cherry.

At the regular meeting of Harmony lodge. At the regular meeting of Harmony lodge, No. 31, of David City the deputy grand mas-ter installed the following officers of the lodge for the ensuing year: J. W. Mare-check, noble grand; W. C. Bell, vice grand; E. B. Taylor, recording secretary; L. G. Berdrow, permanent secretary; John Harper, C. P. Mortin investigations of the control of the

treasurer; G. P. Martin, inner guard; J. P. Becker, outer guard; T. E. Campbell, war The following officers were installed for Edgar lodge, No. 80: Noble grand, C. E. Cook: 'vice grand, A. Knocker; secretary, Joseph McNally; treasurer, J. W. Boden.
Mrs. G. C. Lambert, district deputy grand master, installed the following officers for Deborah Rebekah degree lodge of Norfolk, on Saturday areasists. on Saturday evening, Jannary 7\* Mrs. Lydia Sprecher, noble grand; Mrs. Carrie E. Doughty, vice grand; Mrs. Emma S. Kuhl, secretary; Mrs. Elsie H. Walker, treasurer; Mrs. Ida Foster, warden; Mrs. J. H. Logeman, conductor; Mrs. H. L. Spaulding, chaplain; Mrs. S. Beymer, inside guard; Mrs. G. W. Attwater, outside guard; Mrs. Laura Chrisman, right support to noble guard; Mrs. G. W. Attwater, outside guard; Mrs. Laura Chrisman, right support to noble grand; Mrs. I. M. Maey, left support to noble grand; Miss Laura Law, right support to vice grand; Mrs. Clyde E. Eiseley, left sup-

port to vice grand. Friday evening, January 6, J. M. Hurd, district deputy grand master, installed the new officers of Table Rock lodge No. 33, as follows: Dr. F. H. Broyles, noble grand; A. M. Fuller, vice grand; E. A. Peck, r. S. J. G. Fisher, p. S. C. H. Norris, treasurer. The lodge has moved into the new Knights of Pythias hall and the old hall is to be entirely renovated.

The lodge is in a flourishing condition. District Deputy Grand Master L. Mc Kendrick of Logan, Ia., installed the officers of Valley lodge No. 170, of Missouri Valley, Ia., Thursday evening of this week. The officers installed are as follows: J. A. Startin, M. G.; C. F. Filkins, V. G.; G.

J. A. Startin, M. G.; C. F. Filkins, V. G.; G. W. Burbank, secretary; James Laughery, treasurer; R. McGovren, R. S. N. G.; J. S. Rosenbaum, L. S. N. G.; M. H. Lockwood, R. S. V. G.; Owen Farnsmith, L. S. V. G.; W. D. Skelton, W.; Carl Mills, conductor; Jerome Filkins, R. S. S.; L. B. Merrill, L. S. S.; Frank Clisbee, I. G.; W. H. Campbell, O. G.

Thursday evening, January 5, Triangle lodge No. 54 beld their annual installation of officers. The following is the roster for the ensuing year; R. E. Worthing, past chancellor; M. W. Foster, chancellor commander; cellor; M. W. Foster, chancellor commander;
A. H. Double, vice chancellor; G. C. Vallen,
prelate; H. J. Wells, keeper of records and
seals; C. Boyer, master of finance; A. L.
Wolff, master of exchequer; F. Snyder,
master-at-arms; A. E. Reynolds, inner
guard; T. M. Stuart, outer guard. The incoming officers were installed and charged
by Dr. H. R. Weber, deputy district grand
chancellor, assisted by J. Donnelly, ir grand
chancellor, assisted by J. Donnelly, ir grand by Dr. H. K. Weber, deputy district grand chancellor, assisted by J. Donnelly, ir., grand master-at-arms and Harry J. Wells, grand prelate. It being a public gathering the Castle hall was filled by a well dressed audience who followed the charges of the officers with the most wrapt attention, all due to the feeling and impressive manner in which Dr. Weber handled the subjects in his charge. After the ceremonies were over the floor was cleared for dancing, which occupled the attention of all present until 12 o'clock, when a most elegant supper was served to all in attendance. After supper dancing was resumed and kept up until the wee sma' hours. All who had the good for-tune to be present were loud in their praises of the generosity and hospitality of Triangle lodge No. 54 and good wishes for its future prosperity.

Wednesday evening Nebraska lodge No. 1, the pioneer Pythian lodge of Nebraska, installed the following officers: Past chancellor, J. W. Malone; chancellor commander, M. L. Roeder; vice chancellor, W. C. Van Gilder; prelate, E. M. Wright; master of

and other states that were mustered into the service of the United States prior to July 22, 1861, as volunteers.

Third. Will the gentleman please inform me how a person enlisting (not volunteering) in November, 1858, in the regular service and discharged in November, 1858, in the regular service and discharged in November, 1858, is eligible for sed of J. E. Knowles and C. E. Dickson, provided an enjoyable musical and literary program, which was given after the installa tion ceremonies. One first degree and two second degree candidates were put through Nebraska lodge is prospering nicely and its members are active and deeply interested in the work.

Royal Arch Masons. The following officers were installed by Damascus chapter, No. 25, of Norfolk: W. H. Buchotz, H. P.; E. H. Tracy, K.; S. G. Dean, S.; S. W. Hayes, treasurer; George L. Lles, secretary; G. W. Box, C. H.; G. T. Sprecher, P. S.; Augustus Sattler, R. A. C.; J. B. Barnes, M. 3d V.; B. T. Dunn, M. 2d V.; C. F. Eiseley, M. 1st V.; J. S. McClary,

Hastings chapter No. 21, has installed the following recently elected officers: W. S. McKinney, H. P.; A. R. Van Sickle, K.; W. H. Marshall, S.; J. W. Harris, secretary; P. A. Stewart, C. of H.; Henry Lehrman, P. S. J. F. Heiler R. A. C.; C. L. Alexander, 3d V. M. L. McWhinney, 2d V.; J. W. Houseman, 1st V.; B. S. Morrill, sent.

On Thursday evening the following were On Thursday evening the following were installed as office bearers of King Cyrus chapter No. 35, at McCook: Horace H. Easterday, high priest; Justin A. Wilcox, king; John R. Roxby, scribe; Samuel L. Green, treasurer; Thomas J. Rees, secretary; William Anderson, captain of the host; Hugh W. Cole, principal sojourner; Joseph D. Robb, royal arch cantain: Edward E. D. Robb, royal arch captain; Edward E. Lowman, master third vail; Sylvester Cordeal, master second vail; Lewis C. Wolf, master first vail; E. J. Hall, sentinel. members of Vesta chapter, No. 6. Order Eastern Star, of this city, will give another dancing party at Masonic hall Wednesday evening, February 22, which will

be one of the most pleasant social events of the season. Saturday evening, January 28, a large number of the nobles from Tangier temple, Mystic Shrine, will go to Kearney and con-duct twenty-eight candidates through the mysteries of the Temple of Shriners.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Nebraska Masonic Home will be held at 2 o'clock on Monday, January 23, 1893, at Free Masons' hall, Omaha. The annual meeting of the Nebraska Vet-eran Free Masons will be held at 3 o'clock on Monday, January 23, 1893, at Free Masons hall, Omaha. There will be no dinner.

Modern Woodmen of America. Ivy Leaf camp No. 430 of Crete installed officers for 1893 Thursday evening. They are as follows: V. C., D. B. Zook; W. A., E. S. Critchfield; C., W. L. Loveli; E. B., E. D. Burkett; E., M. M. Alford; W., Fred Yant; S., A. Burtwell. A banquet followed the in-stallation, to which 125 ladies and gentlemen sat down. The music, which was a marked feature of the evening, was furnished by the Adelphian quartet and an instrumental band from Doane college. Visitors were present from Pleasant Hill, Dorchester and Sprague. The camp has eighty-one members.

A lodge of Modern Woodmen was instituted in Archer last Thursday night by State Organizer Dr. A. O. Faulkner of Lincoln. The following officers were elected Venerable consul, William Wegner; worthy

with adviser, S. N. Gurney; eminent banker, A. W. Widdifield; chork, E. H. Gurney; escort, H. O. Chapman; camp physician, C. E. Barnett, M.D.; watchman, O. Reynolds; sentry, The fourth annual entertainment of the Woodmen camp of Wisner was held Tuesday night, which was participated in by the members of the camp and their families to the number of 150. After a few dances the following officers were installed for the en-suing year: F. C. Evans, venerable consul-L. S. Strain, worthy adviser; W. Armstrong, excellent banker: L. C. Kringel, clerk; C. Richardson, escort; F. J. Malchow, watchman; O. V. Owen, sentry; A. R. Cleson, manager; C. C. McNish, delegate, and F. W. West. West, alternate. An elegant banquet was then enjoyed, which was followed by a num-ber of addresses by members of the order. Adjournment was then taken to the dancing hall, where the amusements of the evening were prolonged into the small hours of the night. The Woodmen is the strongest and ost prosperous fraternity in the place. and its yearly entertainments are the leading ocial events of the place.

Thursday evening the following officers

were installed at the regular meeting of Fairmont lodge: H. N. Webber, venerable consul; George Jackson, worthy advisor; E. A. Vansiyke, banker; G. D. Maxfield, escort; W. O. Ross, clerk; E. Pollock, watchman; A. Z. Posson, sentry. Army and Navy Union.

A public installation of the newly elected officers of garrisons No. 13 and No. 54, Regular Army and Navy union, occurred Saturday evening, January 7, at the hall of the General John R. Brooke garrison on Fifteenth street, the national vice commander, Henry Shindler, of Leavenworth, Kan., who is also an army correspondent, acting as installing officer. Over 100 comrades were present with their families and friends. The following are the officers installed: General John R. Brooke Garrison, No. 54-

General John R. Brooke Garrison, No. 54—Commander, John D. Howe; vice commander, Frank P. Thornton; deputy commander, William S. Kelly; adjutant, H. E. Shaack; paymaster, James H. Johnson; quartermaster, John L. Ehlman; officer of the day. Henry Falvey; officer of the guard, Malachi Kerwan; officer of the watch, John Burke; ensigns, W. H. Shoup and Henry Solinger.

Abraham Lincoln Garrison No. 13—Commander, David F. Driscoll; vice commander, George Leffler; deputy commander Joseph George Leffler; deputy commander, Joseph Stahl; adjutant, George Seeber; paymaster Michael Coady; quartermaster, James Forbes; chaplain, William L. Howe; officer of the day, John Gladinich; officer of the guard, Charles A. Covert; officer of the watch, Michael Wilson; ensigns, Severt

Olsen and David Rall. After the ceremonies speeches were made army songs rendered as only those who have followed the guidon can sing them, the best of good feeling prevailed, and all present pronounced the affair a thoroughly enjoyable one in every respect. / ncient Order of United Workmen.

At the last session of Nelson lodge No. 78 At the last session of Neison lodge No. 18, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: H. W. Short, M. W.; J. B. Howard, F.; S. L. Baker, O.; E. D. Jackson, recorder; W. A. Hunt, Fin.; F. J. Patchin, Rec.; F. A. Disbrow, G.; J. F. McEndree, I. W.; F. Coleman, O. W. J. W. McKibbon steps from the master workman chair to the past master workman; Drs. F. J. Patchin and J. R. Buffington were elected examining Hastings lodge No. 43 installed its officer

Hastings lodge No. 43 installed its officers Tuesday night, H. M. Carpenter, D. G. M., acting as installing officer, as follows: B. B. Hicks, P. M. W.; August Berg, M. W.; R. Yost, F.; Frank Palmer, O.; E. J. Parker, R.; J. Wooster, F.; J. A. Rose, Rc.; Al Deitz, G.; C. D. Palmer, I. W.; Ed. Mead, O. W. There are 215 members in good standing, and There are 215 members in good standing and every meeting is a royal intellectual feast. Wednesday evening officers were installed wednessay evening omeers were installed in Edgar lodge No. 51 as follows: P. M. W., C. A. veothees; M. W., J. O. Lyne; R., J. G. Prosser; F., F. C. Whittlesey; O., J. Sugden; G., H. F. Moore; R., O. N. Edgar; O. W., J. W. Basey; I. W., J. A. Hayden. The newly elected officers of Norfolk lodge No. 27, have been installed. They are as follows: P. M. W., J. A. Hornberger; M. W., J. M. Covert; F., John Spellman; O. J., R. Benedict; financier, M. L. Ogden; recorder, W. Rish; receiver, Frank Krober; G., M. Robb; I. W., J. A. Brown; O. W., Frank Farrell. Farrell.

The oyster supper given by the O. P. B. on the evening of Tuesday. December 27, at the new rooms on North Nineteenth street was quite a swell affair.

Tuesday evening being the regular meeting night a short business session was held, but soon adjourned. The members were then escorted to the dining room. Toasts were indulged in for the first half-hour, then all fell to the delicious spread before them. After supper the occupied the parlors, being entertained by piano, violin and harmonica until 12 o'clock when all retired feeling highly pleased with the success. Among those present were: Messrs. J. Miller, F. Berlin, H. Kane, T. Moe, E. Fried, C. Althaus, W. Willis, A. Coon, W. D. Counsman and many others.

United Order True Bund. Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock the grand lodge of the United Order True Bund will assemble in this city at Fort Omaha, and the convention will remain in session for two

The grand lodge is subordinate to the

supreme lodge, and embraces the jurisdiction of Nebraska and Iowa. Its membership is made up of Germans, and it is a secret benevolent organization. The delegates in benevoient organization. The delegates in attendance will number twenty-six, and rep-resent a membership of nearly 1,000, distrib-uted in the following different towns where lodges exist: Nebraska—Omaha four lodges; South Omaha, Plattsmouth and Stanton one each. Iowa-Sioux City, Charter Oak, Council Bluffs, Dennison and Malvern one odge each.

The greatest feature of the True Bund is it: plan of insurance. A death policy of \$700 is ssued to the member and one of \$200 to the the member. A weekly sick benefit of \$5 is paid. Annual sessions are held and the comin

one promises to be very interesting and re-sult in the accomplishment of some good work for the order. Loyal Mystic Legion. Hon. J. B. Hartwell, supreme councilor installed the following officers in the Hastings Loyal Mystic Legion last Wednesday night, doing the work in his usual happy manner: J. R. Hursch, W. C.; Wes. Montmanner: J. R. Hursen, W. C.; Wes. Mont-gomery, W. V. C.; S. C. Heacox, W. S.; J. M. Hemsher, W. T.; O. H. Eckles, W. P.; J. F. Doremus, C. E.; M. Haynes, C. P.; J. W. Clark, F. A.; John Snyder, F. I.; J. R. Pen-field, F. J. The legion is in fine shape, with 275 members in good standing. Sixty claims, amounting to \$1.085 04, have already been

amounting to \$1,085.94, have already been paid.

Wednesday evening of this week Yah-Nun-Dah-Sis tribe No. 2, Improved Order of Red Men, will give their second annual ball at Washington hall. The dancing will commence promptly at 8:30, and the best music in the city has been engaged for the oc-casion. Supper will be served in the hall by the ladies of Pocahontas degree. The Yah-Nun-Dah-Sis tribe is in a flourishing condi-tion, and nearly every Monday night they adopt and scalp six or eight pale faces.

Independent Order Foresters. Court Eclipse No. 167 held a regular acceting in Gate City hall, Thirteenth and Douglas streets, Friday evening, January 6. and installed the following officers; D. Hamilton, C. R.; D. Long, S. C. R.; F. L. Weaver, R. S.; W. W. Gillen, F. S.; G. Steinhart, S. W.; P. Kirby, J. W.; G. Malckums, J. B.; D. Prisenean, S. B.

Women's Relief Corps.

The following officers were installed in Women's Relief Corps lodge No. 122 of Edgar: President, Mrs. M. R. Casterline; vice president, Mrs. E. Beck; junior vice resident, Mrs. C. Woodhead Mrs. C. Stover; treasurer, Mrs. L. Trent, chaplain, Mrs. A. Trent; commander, Mrs. M. Walters; goard, Mrs. S. E. Bradley.

BUILDING ASSOCIATION NOTES.

Englewood, a suburb of Chicago, has an association with 16.575 shares of stock in force and over \$500.000 in loans. The asso-ciation aided in building 400 homes in that town.

Grand Island association, "series D." shows receipts for last year amounting to \$28,643.03, Of this sum \$24,992.50 was loaned to mem-

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bers. The gross profits for the year were \$9,002.53, and the expenses \$535.49. The association has leans amounting to \$88,000, and 649 shares in force. Shareholders in building and loan associations should make it a point to attend an nual elections and vote in person instead of by proxy. The proxy system is indefensible. Prosperity often depends on the election of capable and trustworthy officers and no or-

linary cause ought to prevent members from riving this important matter their personal attention. The growth and popularity of building and an associations in Chicago is amazing About 300 associations report assets aggregating \$83,000,000. Their importance a importance as inancial institutions is such that the Illinoi legislature is expected to enact a compre-hensive law for their government and pro-vide a thorough system of state supervision. Effective supervision is one thing Nebraska

is sadly in need of. In large cities, where building associations are numerous, borrowers make a practice of submitting their securities to several asso-ciations and patronizing the one which will loan the most. This practice has become an

venting the hawking system. The stockholders of the Grand Island Building and Loan association at their annual meeting held on January 9, 1893, elected the following officers for the ensuing year: B. C. Howard, president; James Cleary, vice president; C. W. Brininger, secretary, and H. A. Koenig, treasurer. Directors: Henry Mayor, H. C. Miller, H. L. McMans, C. R. H. A. Koenig, treasurer. Directors: Henry Mayer, H. C. Miller, H. L. McMeans, C. B. Handy, D. Ackerman, A. C. Lederman, and L. T. Geer, The annual report of the secretary submitted shows assets over \$95,000, with an undivided net profit of over \$26,000. The association is in a highly prosperous condition and is doing a safe and conservative business.

An important decision was rendered by

An important decision was rendered by Judges Irvine and Hopewell at the district bench in this city a few days ago. An action was brought by the Nebraska Building and Loan Association of Omaha to foreclose a mortgage given by a defaulting borrower. The mortgage was given prior to the passage of the act of 1891, consequently the question involved was determined under the homestead act of 1873, sections 359 to 362 consolidated statutes. The main question was as to the validity of the law of 1873 in so far as it seeks to exempt such trans-1873 in so far as it seeks to exempt such transactions from the operation of the usury law, The contention of the plaintiff that the transction was not to be regarded as a loan but rather in the light of an advancement by the corporation to the defendants of the ultimate expectant value of the stock, was not considered by the court, for the reason that the supreme court of the state held, in Lincoln Building and Savings association against Graham, that the transaction is a loan and subject to the operation of the usury laws as they stood prior to 1873, Under the general interest law, the court holds, the claim would be usurious, but the law of 1873 protects the plaintiff unless it be in conflict with the constitution. The court discusses this point at some length, citing the state supreme court which in the case above referred to did not nold the law unconstitutional. The special provisions of the constitution which it is claimed the act of 1873 infringes are in the opinion of the court "prospective in their operation and do not apply to or affect the validity of existing statutes." But the court, while discussing the act in relation to the constitution of 1875, does not regard it as special legislation. "Courts of high authority hold that legislatures have power to classify citizens for pur-poses of legislation, and where such classification is not arbitrary, but based upon conditions rendering legislation peculiar to such classes necessary, legislation of such character is not special but general." In conclusion the court says: "While the constitutionality of the act of 1873 remains surposed by many death and differents the rounded by much doubt and difficulty, the weight of authorities in support of the doc-trines above stated and the weight of reasoning upon their side are such as to indents clearly what course courts of the first instance should adopt. A law supported by so much authority and such good reason should not by this court be held unconstitutional." Judgment was rendered for the plaintiff.

It was in a street car that a pretty girl in a brown velvet hat gave the public some idea of the work of personal reform she was about to undertake for the year. She was telling her friend the number of Christmas

rifts she had received "I had three lovely diaries for the new year," she said. "One was in morocco, with ny name stamped in gold, and one was in black seal, with my initials in silver. The other was the preftiest thing you ever saw, bound in gray lizard skin."
"But what on earth are you going to do
with the three diaries!" inquired her com-"Oh, I guess there'll be no trouble about

filling them. Why, it took the 'January 1'

of all three and the 'January 2' of two of them just to put down my New Year's reso-

utions! The report that Harvard had ordered an auminium shell from Galanaugh in Phila lelphia has set Yale men to thinking. Gal anaugh offers to guarantee that this shell will be ten seconds faster than a cedar or a paper boat. The metal is only one-twentieth of an meh thick, and the shell will be about fifty pounds lighter than one of cedar or of

paper.